

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

May 2, 2006

In re the Application of

Kenji NISHI

Group Art Unit: 2877

Application No.: 09/782,062

Examiner:

G. STOCK JR.

Filed: February 14, 2001

Docket No.: 108601

For:

EXPOSURE METHOD, EXPOSURE APPARATUS, AND METHOD OF PRODUCING

DEVICE

LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired April 12, 2006, an extension of time for a period of one month is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 179445 in the amount of \$120.00 in payment for:

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Respectfully submitted,

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